

Appl. No. 10/050,818
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REMARKS

This case has been carefully reviewed and analyzed in view of the Official Action dated 9 July 2003. The Official Action was a Restriction Requirement which divided the application into two groups, namely, Group I directed to Claims 1(1), 1(2), and 2-4 drawn to a method of preparing a hydrogen catalyst; and Group II directed to Claims 1(3) and 5-8 drawn to a DMCHD manufacturing process.

It is believed that there is a typographical error in the Examiner's Restriction Requirement since Claim 4 is believed to belong to Group II which is directed to the DMCHD manufacturing process. Thus, it is believed that Group I directs itself to Claims 1(1), 1(2) and 2-3.

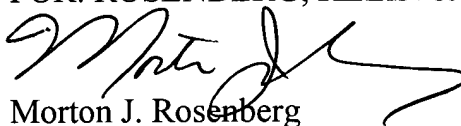
By this Response to the Restriction Requirement and Amendment, Applicant elects Group I for further prosecution in this case. Claims 4-8 have been withdrawn.

Claims 1-3 have been amended to direct itself simply to the method of preparing the hydrogen catalyst.

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It is now believed that the subject patent application has been placed in condition
for examination and such action is respectfully requested.

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